# South Dakota Animal Control Association 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Animal Control Seminar Sioux Falls, South Dakota April 18<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2006

#### Training Opportunity

The South Dakota Animal Control Association has collaborated with 2 nationally known organizations to bring to South Dakota, and its surrounding states disaster training in animal sheltering and rescue.

SDACA was able to secure training dates of April 18<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup> with United Animal Nations/EARS (Emergency Animal Rescue Services) of Sacramento, CA, and CODE 3 Associates based out of Erie, CO.

On April 22, through its EARS program, UAN provided shelter to more than 2100 animals in three states in the aftermath of Hurricanes Katrina/Rita. More then 400 trained EARS volunteers deployed to assist with the operation of four emergency animal shelters located in Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas, and provided support for animal recovery operations in St Bernard Parish at Chalmette, Louisiana. There, Ears volunteers helped to restart the parish's animal control operation, which was decimated in the hurricanes. Shortly after this massive hurricanes relief effort, EARS volunteers responded to an animal cruelty seizure in Gamliel, Arkansas involving nearly 500 animals.

On April 18<sup>th</sup> to the 20th, Code 3 Associates will present its TAR (Technical Animal Rescue) Class. This class is an intense 3-day hands on class, which will teach the student how to rescue an animal without becoming a victim.

Code 3 and its associated volunteer rescuers also served in Katrina/Rita. BART (Big Animal Rescue Truck), Code 3's Truck was the operations base for water rescue operation in New Orleans, LA. It was deployed after Rita to Beaumont, TX, where it becomes again a main base of animal rescue operations in hurricane landfall area.

Please see the class schedule on the following page for more details about these courses and additional training events.

### **TECHNICAL ANIMAL RESCUE: Three-Day Course**

**Instructor: Kim Little-Master Instructor with Rescue 3 International** 

Rescue 3 International provides the finest training around the world for

Law enforcement, fire rescue and search and rescue personnel.

This class is limited to 24 participants and is expected to fill quickly. PLEASE register early!!!!!!!!!!

# Day One: Tuesday April 18th:

Agenda: Classroom instruction on rope work, effective knots, safety, and equipment.

## Day Two: Wednesday April 19th:

Agenda: field day, working with ropes, knots and techniques learned in the classroom.

# Day three: Thursday April 20th

Agenda: Working in the water, learning animal approach methods, self-rescue methods, and animal rescue techniques in the water.

Students will not be required to participate beyond their own capacities.

Upon completion of the TAR course and passing test score, Rescue 3 International issues certification as an Animal Rescue Technician.

#### **Equipment List:**

PDF (personal flotation device) Coast Guard Approved Type III or IV

Full wet/dry suit

Thick sole water boot/sneakers

Water/climbing helmet-must cover back of head and drain water

**Rescue whistle-use in water** 

Climbing harness or suitable webbing

<u>Day Four: Friday April 21<sup>st</sup></u> Optional Training Location: Sioux Empire Fair Grounds, Sioux Falls, SD

Time: 9am till 2pm

On Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, staff from EARS, CODE 3, SDACA and the SIOUX FALLS AREA HUMANE SOCIETY will be conducting a mock disaster-sheltering scenario. Participants from the TAR CLASS and the EARS Volunteer workshop on Saturday are invited (*encouraged*) to attend. There is no charge for this training event. This training will cover many of the lessons learned from large disaster animal shelter operations, and you will be expected to participate.

EARS Volunteer Training Workshop Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> 8am to 6pm, including lunch

Instructors: Kay Mayfield-EARS National Director, EARS Regional Directors

The EARS Volunteer Training Workshop provides a comprehensive introduction to emergency animal sheltering, disaster preparedness, the Incident Command System and the EARS program. Participants will receive an official EARS ID badge, certificate of completion, uniform t-shirt and networking roster. This class open to the public, animal control officers, shelter staff and shelter volunteers; veterinarians and veterinarian technicians are especially encouraged to attend. The workshop does not include animal handling or rescue training. SPACE IS LIMITED TO 60 STUDENTS, SO REGISTER EARLY.

Get more information about EARS volunteer training workshop, and 20-year history at <a href="https://www.uan.org">www.uan.org</a>.

#### **MEALS:**

During the EARS training workshop, a vegetarian lunch will be provided compliments of UAN. Students attending the TAR class are responsible for their own meals.

#### **CLASSROOM LOCATION:**

EARS and Technical Animal Rescue classroom time will be held at the Ramada Inn and Suites, 1301 W. Russell St., Sioux Falls, SD.

#### **LODGING**

Ramada Inn and Suites 1301 W. Russell St. Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Toll free phone: 1-866-336-1020

On line reservations: www.ramada.com

**Room costs:** \$69.95 single \$79.95 double

There are other hotel/motels in the area, for additional room information contact:

Sioux Falls Area Chamber of Commerce 200 North Phillips Ave. Suite 102 Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Phone: 1-605-336-1620

If you have any additional questions, please contact:

<u>Wayne Fischbach at 1-605-366-0913</u> <u>Kurt Cruickshank at 1-605-490-1927</u>

# **Class registration closes on April 14, 2006**

# **Registration Form:**

Name:	
Address:	
City:	State:
Agency:	
Home Phone:	
Agency Phone:	
E-mail:	
Seminar Package:	
Combination 4-day class:	
1-Day EARS Class and 3-Day Tecl	hnical Animal
Rescue Class	
	Total: \$435.00
1 Day EARS class	
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3-Day Technical Animal Rescue Class	T-4-1, \$250.00
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1-Day TAR Class	
Persons who are NFPA/SRT certif	ied ONLY
	Total: \$100.00
Check box below for desired class, and enclosed One form per student	d amount.
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1-Day EARS Class	
3-Day Technical Animal Rescue Class	
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Persons wishing to register on line for the  $\underline{EARS}$  class may go on line at www.uan.org.

Persons wishing to register for the CODE 3 TAR class, need to phone, or mail the above form to:

Kurt Cruickshank Sec/Treas. South Dakota Animal Control Association 1855 Ball Park Rd. Sturgis, South Dakota 57785 1-605-490-1927